

THE MACON BEACON

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Board of Supervisors

NOVEMBER TERM.

Board met in regular session. All members and officers were present. After proclamation by the sheriff, the following proceedings were had:

Accounts, petitions, etc., were continued as follows: Jordan Bros., for refund of taxes; D. C. Ferris, accounts against Center Point Consolidated school, several bridges in different parts of the county; R. T. Wells, J. P., statutory reward; Ben Stuart, account for repairing bridge; Brooksville Hardware for nails and shovels.

Account of S. I. Adams, 40c for nails was rejected.

ALLOWANCES:

Z T Dorroh, sand for road	2 50
Wortham P't'g Co., tax receipts	82 25
L F Cole, treas., int. on bonds	481 25
Bank of Commerce, N.Y., handling same	1 20
Bank of Brooksville, exchange	1 20
D F Allgood, salary	100 00
J W Haddon, salary	100 00
W M Hill, keeping ferry	14 50
L F Holberg, stove	8 45
Wm Richardson and Chas Allen work on road	3 00
J T Sargent, work on road	8 75
Jones & Eichelberger, rep. wk. Hotel Macon, car service	7 00
W A Parks, work on road	52 25
W E Mauldin, convict overseer	75 00
D S Norwood, convict guard	43 50
A Klaus & Co, con't supplies	224 39
Robert Murdock, shop work	3 50
Austin Western Co., supplies	13 00
Noxubee Hdw. Co., supplies	58 13
Dement P't'g Co., warrant book	6 00
L O Smith & Bros., typewriter ribbons	3 00
C L Ferris, sundries	37 10
J A Tyson, postage, etc.	4 21
Chancery Clerk, attending chancery court	24 00
Sheriff, same	24 00
Stenographer, same	40 00
Walker, Evans & Cogswell, sup	77 16
Dement P't'g Co, bind'g Beacon	10 50
A T Dent, salary	25 00
Dr J M Stanley, health officer	50 00
A Klaus & Co, light bulbs	1 20
Dr C R Bush, salary	10 00
Knox Moore, janitor	15 00
J S McDavid, plumbing	1 50
Off of court, St vs Albert Malone	11 10
Same, William Halbert	3 00
Same, Leroy Anderson	8 15
Klaus & Co, supplies for home	54 22
W N Ayres, k'p'g Co. home	40 00
J R Jackson, Supt. of education	83 85
Allen Lumber Co., lumber	35 39
W M Hunter, bridge & lumber	114 50
Sheriff, board of prisoners	44 90
Dement P't'g Co., binding b'ks	4 00
Sheriff, pine, postage, etc	6 50
Allen Lumber Co., lumber	15 01
R L Rhymes, lumber	102 73
M & F Bank, paid for work	913 65
S M Thomas, surveying	10 00
Thos McHenry, lumber	34 00
A B Cunningham, overbid	4 11
City of Macon, lights and water	29 55
Wood Young, damage in changing road	10 00
J C Jackson, tick inspector	78 00
E C Walker, same	78 00
N L Cotton, same	27 00
W C Deale, same	18 00
W M Hunter, bridge and lumber	52 76
H L Donahoo, working road	31 50
E L Stevens, same	32 50
W M Jones, rep'g road machine	10 00

All bids offered for the repair of bridge on Brewer road was rejected and clerk was ordered to advertise for bids to furnish and construct said bridge, to be submitted at next meeting.

The contract to repair bridge across Wet Water creek on Ben Barnhill's place was awarded to J. L. Bell at \$17.

Petition of I. N. Anthony, et al., for new road was granted and final order recorded establishing road. Same action was taken in road petitioned for by J. E. Dorroh, et al.

The following petitions, accounts, etc., were rejected: J. L. Wilkerson \$1.50 for lumber, no contract; J. R. Jackson, superintendent, report of appropriation made by school board out of dog tax; W. M. Hunter, account of \$1.20 for lumber.

Purpose of the board to borrow \$8,000 having been advertised in the Beacon, the offer of the M. & F. Bank was accepted to loan said fund to the county at 6 per cent interest.

Contract for bridge across Pumpkin creek on Dantzer road was let to R. E. Boykins for the sum of \$85.

D. Daniel and B. Lagrone was awarded contract to build bridge across Jordan creek for the sum of \$295. W. A. Walker and W. R. Swindle were appointed a committee to inspect and pass on same.

W. E. Mauldin made regular monthly report showing that he had 19 convicts on hand. Five were released since last report, viz: Joe Johnson, Felix Walker, Sue Brown, Leroy Anderson worked out and Nick Estes paid out.

J. L. Ormsby resigned as justice of the peace in district 2 for the reason that he will move from the district, having sold his plantation.

W. R. Swindle reported that he had made an emergency contract with W. M. Hunter to replace the bridge across Hashuqua creek, washed away by the flood, for the sum of \$114.50.

Contract for convicts and county home supplies was awarded to A. Klaus & Co.

FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Road Question.

Editor of Tee Beacon—

As you said in last week's BEACON, the road question is an everlasting one, and I suppose, like Tennyson's brook, it will run on forever. Without a intention to complain, but just to state a few facts as I see it and to register a few good natured "kicks" at the unfairness in which the road tax is levied and collected, is the object of this letter. I suppose there are many farmers in the county who are located just as I am, and will view this question from the same standpoint that I do. But for the condition of the roads first:

It is my observation that in the three years that the gravel roads have been down there has never been a ditch opened or cleaned out and in district two there are more than a dozen washouts, most of them being made by the tropical storm and rains which fell a little more than a month ago, and have not yet been touched. All recognize and admit that the vital point in road up-keep is drainage and had the ditches along these roads had the proper attention the washouts, in most instances, would not have occurred. In a number of places the ditches is higher than the road and the "shoulder" (for which we paid so much) has been washed away and the ditch has encroached until it is now along the gravel itself. In some of these ditches the hedge has grown up taller than a man's head, and the weeds and grass proportionately as bad. Culverts in a number of places are stopped up, the consequence is that the water finds its outlet across the road. Some one, about a mile from town, has made a dumping ground for trash and has filled up the ditch.

And now as to the unequitable method of taxation, taking my own case as an example. The hands on my place are called out for road work and show up as follows:

Six teams at \$1.00 a day.....\$6 00
Nine hands at 50c a day.....4 50
making \$10.50 a day, and for ten days' road duty, \$105. Add to this my tax for maintenance of roads, \$5.67, making \$110.67, and for the three years under the good roads system, \$332. The above figures as all will agree, is a low estimate for hands and team and does not figure in the loss of time from the crops.

Now take this same farm and place it on the gravel road and see what the taxation will be. Do the teams and hands go out? No. Is the time of the hands lost from the farm? No. Is the owner otherwise inconvenienced? No. And what is paid for the up-keep of the road? Simply the 1 mill maintenance tax—\$5.67 or \$17.01 for the three years. Now in all fairness, is this equitable?

But it can be said, that he is working under the "Good Roads Law" providing for a tax on every man and animal. Now, has a cent of that tax ever been paid, or even demanded? I am told that some, in fear that the tax will be demanded, have their hands assigned to some side road, but it is a well known fact that the side-roads are seldom, if ever, worked.

There is another side of this question to look at. Every one will agree that lands located on a hard road have increased in value at least fifty per cent. Has there been any change in the tax equalization? Not that any one has heard. It does seem that we unfortunately off the gravel roads are getting the buzzard and the others the turkey from every side of the question.

Then again, after every rain, we are required to get out and drag the road, with no pay, while our friends along the dirt road (as in district 3) has his dragged for him which we help to pay for. Where is the justice?

Why cannot these places on the good road bring out their hands and teams and help keep the roads from being washed away,

Royal Society Goods. More popular than ever.

To arrive—Complete line Royal Society.

Embroidery and Crochet Package—
and Flat Outfits.

All Accessories carried in stock.

Threads of all descriptions.

Embroidery Needles—Shuttles.

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Instruction Books.

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Mrs. Roberta Skinner now in management of this department and will give full instructions when desired—FREE.

Thanksgiving Reminder!

ALL NEW GOODS

Seeded Raisins 1-lb. package 15c, 2 for	25c
Cleaned Currants, 1-lb. package	15c
Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, per pound	25c
English Walnuts, Almonds, Brazil Nuts, pound	25c
Shelled Almonds and Walnuts per pound	60c
Shelled Pecans, per pound	75c
Cranberries, per gallon	50c
Mince Meat, 2½lb. jar	60c
Mince Meat, 1-lb. can	20c
Condensed Mince Meat 9-oz. package	10c
Mince Meat, wet, per pound	15c
Layer Figs, per pkg.	10c
Dromedary Dates, per pkg., 15c; or 2 for	25c
Dates stuffed with Pecans, per pound	30c
Heinz Plum Pudding, per can	35c
Fruit Cake, home made, per pound	30c
Olives stuffed with Pimientos, per bot. 10c, 15c, 25c	
Olives stuffed with Almonds, per bottle	35c
Olives stuffed with Celery	35c
Olives, plain, per bottle	10c, 25c, 50c, 75c
Olive Relish, per bottle	10c, 25c
Club House Salad Dressing	10c, 30c
Durkee's Salad Dressing	35c
Marachino Cherries per bottle	10c, 25c, 50c
Sour Pickle, per gallon	60c
Dill Pickle, per dozen	20c
Sweet Mixed Pickle, per quart	30c
Club House Asparagus (large white) per can	25c
Club House Asparagus Tips, per can	35c
Club House Little Kernel Corn, 2 cans for	25c
Peas, per can	15c, 17½c, 25c, 30c
Refugee Stringless Beans, 2 cans for	35c
Small Green Lima Beans 2 cans for	35c
Small Beets (large cans)	17½c
Mushrooms, per can	40c
Peanut Butter, per jar	10c, 15c, 25c
Olive Butter, per jar	15c
Nut Relish (Peanut Butter with ground nuts)	15c
Golden Gate Pure Ground Spices, per can	10c
Golden Gate Pure Fruit Flavors, Vanilla (bottle)	30c
Almond, Strawberry, Pineapple, Cherry	
Orange and Lemon, per bottle	25c
Green Fruit Color, per bottle	25c
Maple Extract, per bottle	25c

"Golden Leaf" Flour.

Chase & Sanborns Coffee.

Henry M. Jones.

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